SHELTER NEWS

A beagle that was so mangy that its skin was like leather, had no hair on its head at all, was scaley and bloody, was dumped near the Shelter. This dog should not have been dumped, it should have been taken to the vet and mercifully euthanized because of its condition.

It breaks Judy's heart when people bring in pets that they have had for several years. They adjust poorly to shelter life and grieve for their family. There are, of course, times when this is necessary, and there are times when the animal gets a new family. But, if you have had a pet for a number of years and it becomes necessary for you to make other arrangements, please exhaust every possibility of a new home before you bring it to the Shelter.

Judy's daughter, Kim, is now living here, and one day on her way to the Shelter to see her mother she noticed a car with an out of state license stopping from time to time and dropping a puppy out of the car. Kim caught up with her at the Shelter and stopped her and read her off properly. Together, they found all five of the puppies, but, being unwanted, they had not had decent care and, one by one, the puppies died in spite of anything Judy could do for them.

Our digging, four footed friends in the big pen finally dug up and exposed the underground cable to the pump. We got a back-hoe into this pen and dug a trench deep enough that this will not happen again.

We have a new roof. Judy finally ran out of enough pans to catch all the leaks, so, in spite of her husband's busy schedule, the job was done and the main building is snug and dry again.

We installed a new metal building near the office door, for storage of food and hay. This has helped considerably because Judy had to lug food and hay from the lower level and since we added the upper pens this was quite a climb.

Judy still has her loyal and dependable volunteer helper, Jerome Rosewater, who has added to the dogs comfort by building brush arbors. This not only affords shade for the dogs but uses up brush around the Shelter. Judy's mother is now helping her when she can.

Shep Herd, who wrote the Shelter News, finally got loaded down with too many other duties and had to throw in the towel, Nevertheless, we have had the following representation in the weekly paper this past year. Shelter News - 7 weeks, Pet of the Week - 13 weeks, and one full page feature of the Style Show.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS

Just before Easter, along with Neiman Marcus and others, the Ghrift Shop presented a fashion show, using items from the shop. And what a show it was. We had to limit the number of tickets sold because of lack of room, but all who were there, were more than impressed with the variety of clothes shown, as well as the quality. Stunning outfits that could be purchased for under $2.00 were the rule instead of the exception. Models were enthusiastic as well as professional in showing these styles. Those participating in this event, as well as doing volunteer work at the Shop, were Dorothy Danforth, Lee and Dorothy Maes, Jo Petersen, Lil McGovney, Wilma Miller, Ruth Grubs, Jane Lello, Mary Gillett, Margaret Christiansen, Ann Birr, Louise Mesa, June Wagher, Tommye Thomas, Frances Isles, Doris Paul, Evelyn Carey, Irene Trimble and Dorothy Marie. Phil Schloss has asked us to put on a show in the lobby of the New Orleans Hotel next time.